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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
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Plaintiff,) CRIMINAL NO. <u>22-345 DHU</u>
)
vs.) Counts 1 and 2: 18 U.S.C. §§ 1152,
) 2241(c), and 2246(2)(D): Aggravated
JOEL RUIZ,) Sexual Abuse.
)
Defendant.)

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges:

Count 1

Between on or about January 27, 2016, and January 27, 2020, in Indian Country, in Rio Arriba County, in the District of New Mexico, the defendant, **JOEL RUIZ**, a non-Indian, unlawfully and knowingly engaged in and attempted to engage in a sexual act with Jane Doe 1, an Indian child, who had not then attained the age of twelve (12) years, and the sexual act consisted of the intentional touching, not through the clothing, of the genitalia of Jane Doe 1, with an intent to abuse, humiliate, harass, degrade, and arouse and gratify the sexual desire of any person.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1152, 2241(c), and 2246(2)(D).

Count 2

Between on or about February 13, 2013, to February 13, 2016, in Indian Country, in Rio Arriba County, in the District of New Mexico, the defendant, **JOEL RUIZ**, a non-Indian, unlawfully and knowingly engaged in and attempted to engage in a sexual act with Jane Doe 2, an Indian child, who had not then attained the age of twelve (12) years, and the sexual act consisted

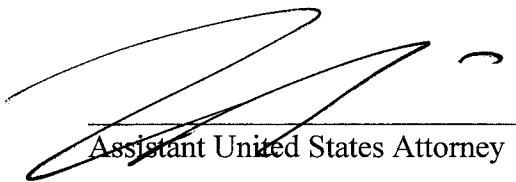
of the intentional touching, not through the clothing, of the genitalia of Jane Doe 2, with an intent to abuse, humiliate, harass, degrade, and arouse and gratify the sexual desire of any person.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1152, 2241(c), and 2246(2)(D).

A TRUE BILL:

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FOREPERSON OF THE GRAND JURY



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